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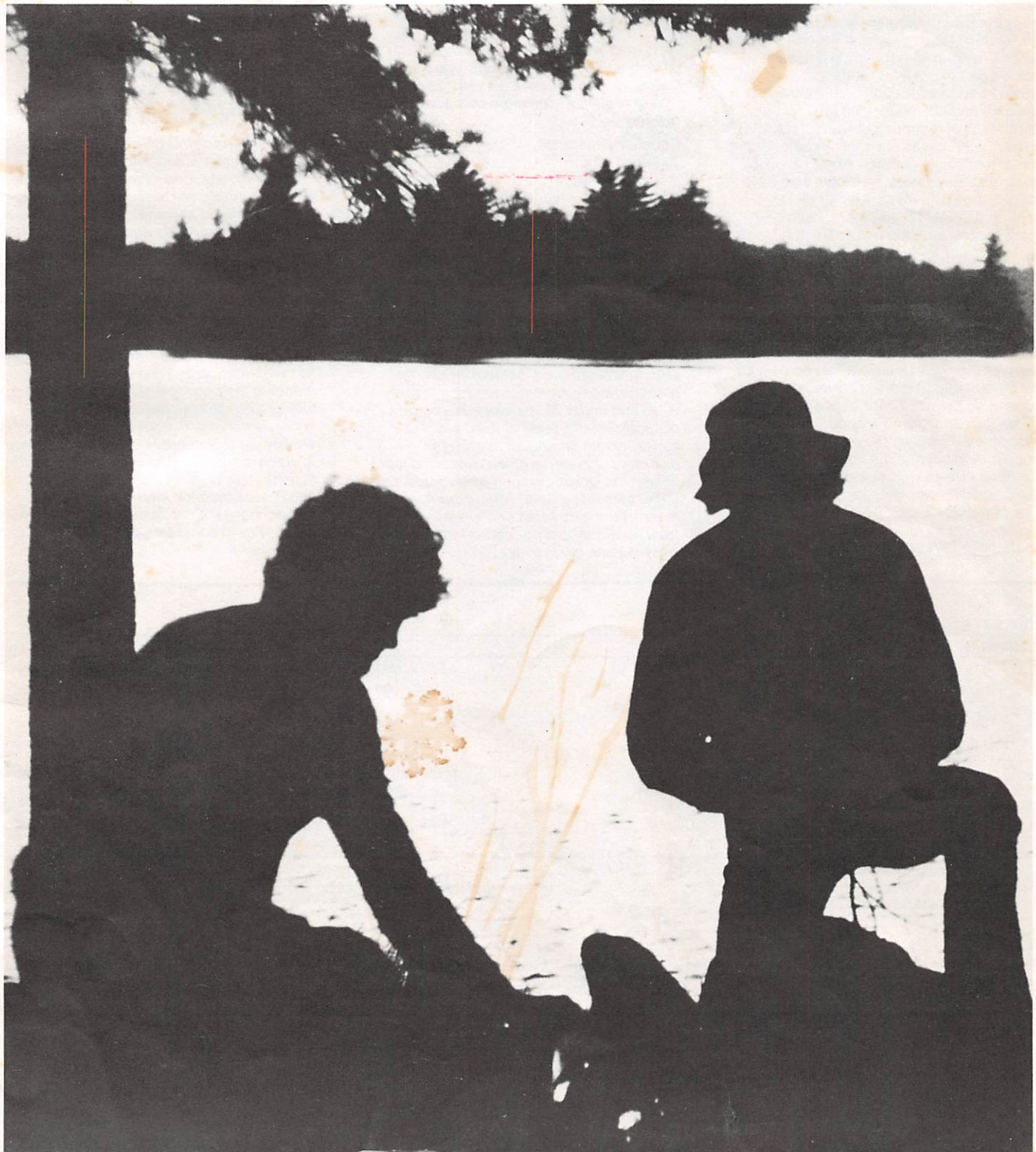

Letters to the Editor

Dear Canadian Camping:

I have just read the Spring issue of CANADIAN CAMPING and am once again impressed by the quality of the articles. Keep it up! I truly enjoy putting "feet up" and reading it.

One comment on the Group Dynamics Exercise in that issue - Is the response to number 23 "an inmate of a mental hospital" really the kind of thing we wish to be reinforcing? I recognize that it's only one of a series in a "game" but mental illness is so much a part of our lives today that I feel it's time we began educating positively about this area and not reinforcing the stereo-typical response of "nut", "crazy", "loony", etc. Just as many of our campers come from single parent homes, I expect many also have family members who have been or are in health care facilities for treatment of mental disorders. Let's be sensitive and educate positively in this area.

Perhaps a small point but certainly a bigger issue.

Joan Lowden
Ottawa, Ontario

What an oversight on our part! I've used that exercise over fifty times and never realized the blatant and pejorative stereotyping inherent in the word "nut". Labels are very significant and often serve as "distancing phenomena"; that is, people are inhibited from getting beyond the label and seeing anything else as significant about a person. Nowhere is this more apparent than in the area of mental health; perhaps we know so little and fear so much: what is insanity? Is it contagious? What is mental illness: a label or an actual sickness? Why do three psychiatrists swear under oath that the accused is insane and three more psychiatrists swear that the accused is sane? No wonder there is confusion among lay people when the psychiatric profession cannot agree among themselves as to what constitutes mental health!

Thank you for writing.

I was impressed with the editorial in your last issue but I kept thinking about Karen Carpenter and anorexia nervosa. Could you please explain a little more about that disorder?

Christine Tymburski
Toronto, Ontario

It's a relatively recent psycho-somatic disorder in which a person does not want to eat, chooses not to eat and ultimately cannot eat. The mind (psyche) is in total control of the body (soma), hence psycho-somatic. It usually commences with a desire to lose weight and eventually this desire becomes an obsession where all thoughts, actions, fantasies, dreams and conversations are food-oriented; in short, the whole personality structure is affected, not just an eating problem. Most anorexics are female (over 90%) and under 25 years of age; roughly 15% of anorexics die, making it the highest mortality rate among all psychiatric disorders. It is also a disease which occurs almost exclusively among upper-middle and upper classes; a Great Britain survey recently indicated that one girl in every 3,000 from public school population was anorexic, whereas one girl in every 200 from private school was anorexic. No other disease known is so gender-specific; why women? According to Anne Fadiman ". . . social pressures, with the primary culprit being female weight obsession with increasingly thin models, actresses and ballet dancers over the last 20 years, culminating in the current curveless aesthetic of childhood. A pubescent girl, observing the burgeoning changes in her body, might fear that she was receding further and further away from her culture's physical ideal, whereas a boy who was equally attentive to social messages would be pleased at his increasing masculinity and, if he was the compulsive sort, would more likely opt for body building than for weight reduction." The adjectives used to describe anorexics or potential anorexics are: perfectionistic, meek, overachievers, polite, compliant, rarely angry, selfish or loud. One would think we were describing our best attributes in our female campers at camp! It seems to be no accident that anorexia appears either just after puberty or just before entrance into college. Both represent significant periods of time when the prospect of growing up might seem especially frightening psychologically; it's an effective way of halting further development and turning back the clock. Starvation stops the production of estrogen; no menstruation and no development, reducing the body to a 10 year old level biologically. It is intersting to note that anorexia nervosa is unheard of in Third World countries; people who may be forced to starve are unlikely candidates to practice starvation by choice! If symptoms should occur, seek medical intervention immediately; it's not something to hope will go away or to consider as just a passing fad. It's serious!

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EDITORIAL

How Can You Buy or Sell the Sky?

This is a speech made in 1851 by Seattle, Chief of the Suquamish, in response to a treaty proposal under which the Indians would sell two million acres of land for $150,000. Buckminster Fuller calls it "one of the most beautiful and profound environmental statements ever made".

How can you buy or sell the sky, the warmth of the land? The idea is strange to us.

If we do not own the freshness of the air and the sparkle of the water, how can you buy them?

Every part of this earth is sacred to my people. Every shining pine needle, every sandy shore, every mist in the dark woods, every clearing and humming insect is holy in the memory and experience of my people. The sap which courses through the trees carries the memories of the red man.

The white man's dead forget the country of their birth when they go to walk among the stars. Our dead never forget this beautiful earth, for it is the mother of the red man. We are part of the earth and it is part of us. The perfumed flowers are our sisters; the deer, the horse, the great eagle, these are our brothers.

The rocky crests, the juices in the meadows, the body heat of the pony, and man – all belong to the same family.

So, when the Great Chief in Washington sends word that he wishes to buy our land, he asks much of us. The Great Chief sends word he will reserve us a place so that we can live comfortably to ourselves. He will be our father and we will be his children.

So we will consider your offer to buy our land. But it will not be easy. For this land is sacred to us. This shining water that moves in the streams and rivers is not just water but the blood of our ancestors. If we sell you land, you must remember that it is sacred, and you must teach your children that it is sacred and that each ghostly reflection in the clear water of the lakes tells of events and memories in the life of my people. The water's murmur is the voice of my father's father.

The rivers are our brothers; they quench our thirst. The rivers carry our canoes, and feed our children. If we sell you our land, you must remember, and teach your children, that the rivers are our brothers and yours, and you must henceforth give the rivers the kindness you would give any brother.

We know that the white man does not understand our ways. One portion of land is the same to him as the next, for he is a stranger who comes in the night and takes from the land whatever he needs. The earth is not his brother, but his enemy, and when he has conquered it, he moves on. He leaves his father's grave behind, and he does not care. His father's grave and his children's birthright are forgotten. He treats his mother, the earth, and his brother, the sky, as things to be bought, plundered, sold like sheep or bright beads. His appetite will devour the earth and leave behind only a desert.

I do not know. Our ways are different from your ways. The sight of your cities pains the eyes of the red man. There is no quiet place in the white man's cities. No place to hear the unfurling of leaves in spring or the rustle of the insect's wings. The clatter only seems to insult the ears. And what is there to life if a man cannot hear the lonely cry of the whippoorwill or the arguments of the frogs around the pond at night? I am a red man and do not understand. The Indian prefers the soft sound of the wind itself, cleansed by a midday rain, or scented with pion pine.

The air is precious to the red man for all things share the same breath. The white man does not seem to notice the air he breathes. Like a man dying for many days he is numb to the stench. But if we sell you our land, you must remember that the air is precious to us, that the air shares its spirit with all the life it supports.

The wind that gave our grandfather his first breath also receives his last sigh. And if we sell you our land, you must keep it apart and sacred as a place where even the white man can go to taste the wind that is sweetened by the meadow's flowers.

You must teach your children that the ground beneath their feet is the ashes of our grandfathers. So that they will respect the land, tell your children that the earth is rich with the lives of our kin. Teach your children that we have taught our children that the earth is our mother. Whatever befalls the earth befalls the sons of the earth. If men spit upon the ground, they spit upon themselves.

This we know: the earth does not belong to man; man belongs to the earth. All things are connected. We may be brothers after all. We shall see. One thing we know which the white man may one day discover: our God is the same God.

You may think now that you own Him as you wish to own our land; but you cannot. He is the God of man, and his compassion is equal for the red man and the white. This earth is precious to Him; and to harm the earth is to heap contempt on its creator. The whites too shall pass; perhaps sooner than all other tribes. Contaminate your bed and you will one night suffocate in your own waste.

But in your perishing you will shine brightly fired by the strength of the God who brought you to this land and for some special purpose gave you dominion over this land and over the red man.

That destiny is a mystery to us, for we do not understand when the buffalo are slaughtered, the wild horses are tame, the secret corners of the forest heavy with scent of many men and the view of the ripe hills blotted by talking wires.

Where is the thicket? Gone. Where is the eagle? Gone.

The end of living and the beginning of survival.

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EDITORIAL

Comment pouvez-vous acheter ou vendre le ciel?

Discours prononcé en 1851 par Seattle, chef des Suquamish, en réponse à une proposition de traité aux termes duquel les Indiens devraient vendre deux millions d'acres de terre pour 150,000$. Buckminster Fuller a dit que c'était "l'une des déclarations les plus profonds jamais faite sur l'environnement".

Comment pouvez-vous acheter ou vendre le ciel, la chaleur de la terre? L'idée nous paraît étrange.

Si la fraîcheur de l'air et le miroitement de l'eau ne nous appartiennent pas, comment pouvez-vous les acheter?

Pour mon peuple, chacune des parties de la terre est sainte: les aiguilles de pin scintillantes, les rivages sablonneux, la brume dans les bois sombres, les clairières, les insectes bourdonnants; elles sont consacrées dans la mémoire et la vie de mon peuple. La sève qui court dans les arbres porte les souvenirs des Peaux-Rouges.

Les morts de l'homme blanc oublient le pays où ils sont nés lorsqu'ils partent dans les étoiles. Nos morts n'oublient jamais cette terre magnifique, car elle est la mère du Peau-Rouge. Nous sommes une partie de la terre et elle est une partie de nous. Les fleurs parfumées sont nos soeurs; le daim, le cheval, le grand aigle sont nos frères.

Tous appartiennent à la même famille: les crêtes rocheuses, la sève des plantes dans les prés, la chaleur intérieure du poney et l'homme.

Ainsi, lorsque le Grand Chef à Washington nous fait dire qu'il souhaite acheter notre tere, il nous en demande beaucoup. Le Grand Chef nous fait dire qu'il nous réservera une place pour que nous puissions vivre confortablement. Il sera notre père et nous serons ses enfants.

Nous allons donc considérer votre offre d'achat de notre terre; mais ce ne sera pas facile. Car cette terre est sacrée pour nous. Cette eau miroitante des cours d'eau et des rivières n'est pas simplement de l'eau, c'est le sang de nos ancêstres. Si nous vous vendons la terre, vous devez vous souvenir qu'elle est sacrée, que chacune des ombres réfléchies dans l'eau claire des lacs vous racontent la vie et les souvenirs de mon peuple. Le murmure de l'eau c'est la voix du père de mon père.

Les rivières sont nos soeurs; elles étanchent notre soif. Les rivières portent nos canots et nourrissent nos enfants. Si nous vous vendons notre terre, vous devez vous souvenir que les rivières sont nos soeurs, les vôtres aussi, et l'enseigner à vos enfants. Vous devez donc leur manifester la gentillesse dont vous feriez preuve envers votre frère.

Nous savons que l'homme blanc ne comprend pas notre façon de penser. Pour lui, une parcelle de terre ressemble à la parcelle voisine, car c'est un étranger qui vient, la nuit tombée, tirer de la terre ce dont il a besoin. La terre n'est pas sa soeur mais son ennemie; et lorsqu'il l'a conquise, il s'en va plus loin. Il abandonne la tombe de son père et ne s'en soucie plus. Il oublie la tombe de son père et le patrimoine de ses enfants. Il considère la terre sa mère et le ciel son frère comme des choses que l'on peut acheter, dépouiller, vendre comme des moutons ou des perles brillantes. Son appétit lui fera dévorer la terre et il ne laissera derrière lui qu'un désert.

Je ne sais pas. Nos voies ne sont pas vos voies. La vue de vos villes afflige le Peau-Rouge. Il n'y a pas d'endroit tranquille dans les villes de l'homme blanc. Aucun lieu pour entendre s'ouvrir les feuilles au printemps ou bruire les ailes des insectes. Le fracas ne fait qu'insulter l'oreille. Que signifie la vie si l'homme ne peut ouïr le cri solitaire de l'engoulevent ou les débats des grenouilles au bord de l'étang, à la brunante? Je suis Peau-Rouge et je ne comprends pas. Les Indiens préfèrent le calme bruit du vent, purifié par la pluie méridienne ou parfumé de pin.

L'air est précieux pour le Peau-Rouge, car tout partage la même respiration. L'homme blanc ne semble pas remarquer l'air qu'il respire. Comme un homme qui se meurt depuis de longs jours, il est insensible à l'odeur de la pourriture. Mais si nous vous vendons notre terre, vous devez vous souvenir que l'air nous est précieux, qu'il partage son esprit avec toute la vie qu'il anime.

Le vent qui a communiqué à notre grand-père son premier souffle a aussi reçu son dernier soupir. Et si nous vous vendons notre terre, vous devez la préserver, en faire un lieu consacré où même l'homme blanc pourra aller savourer le vent qu'adoucit les fleurs des champs.

Vous devez apprendre à vos enfants que le sol qu'ils foulent est fait des cendres de nos ancêtres. Afin qu'ils respectent la terre, dites à vos enfants qu'elle est enrichie des vies de nos parents. Dites-leur que nos enfants ont appris à reconnaître la terre comme notre mère. Ce qui atteint la terre atteint aussi les fils de la terre. Si les hommes crachent sur la sol, ils crachent sur eux-mêmes.

Nous savons ceci: la terre n'appartient pas à l'homme; l'homme appartient à la terre. Tout est lié. Nous sommes peut-être frères après tout. Nous verrons. Une chose que nous savons et que l'homme blanc découvrira peut-être un jour: nous avons le même Dieu.

Vous pensez peut-être actuellement que vous Le possédez comme vous souhaitez posséder notre terre; mais vous ne le pouvez pas. Il est le Dieu de l'homme; il épreuve la même pitié pour le Peau-Rouge et pour l'homme blanc. Cette terre Lui est précieuse. Blesser la terre c'est outrager son créateur. Les Blancs aussi passeront; peut-être plus tôt que toutes les autres tribus. Souillez votre lit et vous étoufferez une nuit dans votre propre fange.

Mais en périssant, vous brillerez, embrasés par la force du Dieu qui vous a amenés sur cette terre et qui, dans un dessein impénétrable, vous a donné de dominer cette terre et le Peau-Rouge.

Cette destinée est pour nous un mystère, car nous ne comprenons pas les buffles abattus, les cheveux sauvages apprivoisés, les coins secrets de la forêt lourds de l'odeur de tant d'hommes, et les flancs fertiles des collines déparés par les fils télégraphiques.

Où est le bosquet? Il a disparu. L'aigle? Envolé.

La fin des vivants et le début de la survivance.

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Glen Bernard Camp

NATIONAL CAMPING DAY!

News Flash ...

Calgary Herald did a feature article on Youth Camping . . .

Winnipeg radio stations used a radio message on camping prepared by Terry Burkhalter as a public service . . .

Kitchener-Waterloo Record gave full page coverage to camping in their next Lifestyle Section . . .

Over 600 weekly papers received information on National Camping Day and sample articles . . .

Québec coordinated their annual "Semaine des camps" or camp week to coincide with April 14th and featured a media blitz . . .

New Brunswick **Premier Richard Hatfield** declared Camp Week for the province . . . NBCA gave 15 radio and TV interviews and all the major newspapers in Fredericton, Moncton and Saint John had articles . . .

Greg Teckles

. . **Senator Ray Perrault** greeted CCA/ACC Represetatives and two camp counsellors presented him with a Special T-Shirt.

Private schools across the country received information on NCD . . . One girls' school planned a 'grub day' so students could wear their Camp T-Shirts . . . Lunch was hotdogs and a sing-song program!

The next **NATIONAL CAMPING DAY is March 21st, 1984!**

Be sure to send a reminder home from camp with your campers this summer.

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Nova Scotia's **Minister, Fisher Hudson,** declared April 14 as Camp Counsellor Acknowledgement Day . . .

THE CAMPING ADVISOR

I am a counsellor this year for the first time and I am quite nervous about disciplining or controlling a group of campers on my very own. Last year, I was a C.I.T. and my counsellor and I had a tent group of 12 year-olds – it was impossible to control them! Whenever my counsellor threatened them with punishment, they would just laugh and she (the counsellor) would back down on her threats. The campers were never quiet at night and they wre disorderly at the dinner table; often, they would take food and not finish it and my counsellor could not control this situation. Is there a trick to learning discipline techniques?

J.D., Ottawa, Ontario

Indeed there are tricks and the main ones consist of "communicating very clearly" and "meaning what you say". Always start with the premise that your "rules" or guidelines are going to be challenged – it doesn't matter if you are a Director or counsellor or counsellor-in-training – so be prepared for what YOUR strategy will be when you are put to the test. Never say "be quiet or else . . .", "eat everything on your plate or else . . ."; such threats are meaningless and the campers know this better than you. Indicate in a nice but firm way that you are concerned about waste food or nutrition and health or whatever and explain why; then ask very nicely if they would only take a small portion at first or that they at least try everything on their plate. If they don't finish, explain what the consequences WILL BE and make sure (a) you know what they are, (b) they make sense and (c) you're able to carry them out. For example, not being allowed to have dessert is a logical punishment for wasting food by leaving a lot on one's plate; however, if you said "eat everything on your plate or you can't go swimming for two days", your camper will likely complain to the Section Head or Director and you will be overruled and your authority will be somewhat undermined. Similarly, if your tent group if noisy at night, talk to your girls about respecting other people's rights to quiet time in your own tent as well as in the neighbouring area. Explain calmly that if there is any more talking, your group will go to bed an hour earlier the next night and this routine will continue until they have learned to respect the bedtime hour as a quiet time for everyone. And then you must do it, if necessary! Such phrases like "Linda, I've had it with you" or "Theresa, shut-up" or "this whole group better be quiet or else" are meaningless phrases and just set you up to lose that control you were talking about. I would suggest that you ask your Section Head or Director to have a session on "disciplining" where you can act out viable ways to deal with the ongoing problems we all face in leading young people – particularly at camp where energy levels are high and living quarters are close.

Remember this, though: you have your campers' respect when they arrive; you can only lose it by putting yourself in a compromising or no-win situation. I hope you don't let it happen! Good luck this summer, thank you for writing and never be afraid to ask for help.

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At the International Camping Congress many of us Directors became embroiled in a discussion/debate as to whether we were within our jurisdiction to "spank" a camper or to sanction such an action by one of our Staff members, if we felt it was appropriate and deserving. I was in the minority, but several of us felt that children grow up with too much leniency today and that a good spanking is often a way of letting a child know you care about him because you are willing to discipline him. Why is there such a commotion over corporal punishment today, especially when it seemed to work so well on so many of us?

J.P., Toronto, Ontario

Ouch!! It is difficult for us to envision situations where spankings are "appropriate and deserving", as you put it. Actually, if you strike anyone – camper or Staff – you are committing the crime of ASSAULT; it would be up to the judge or jury to determine if it was justified or not but I wouldn't want to bet on it. Most of us have received spankings from our parents at some point in our lives but I don't think we can necessarily say that this is the reason we respect authority, are easily disciplined and are upstanding citizens. Considering the number of children who grow up with "spankings" (beatings?) and become antisocial or criminal adults, I don't think we can conclude that spanking per se is a positive or negative manner of motivating people; certainly, a better argument can be made for the negative effects of spanking than the positive. Psychologists insist that corporal punishment of any kind instills FEAR and ANGER and neither of those two reactions are "intended" consequences of adults who "spank".

If a leader in a camp situation strikes a child, we are of the position of siding with the child, IRRESPECTIVE OF CIRCUMSTANCES. Quite simply, using physical force is really a sign of failure. Even the age-old myth that you referred to ("spanking is often a way of letting a child know you care about him") is preposterous, when you think about it; it's a little like committing sexual assault and insisting you did it because you love the person!!?? You wouldn't believe that just as a child wouldn't

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believe your logic.

Discipline today is much more centered around discussion, communication, understanding consequences of our actions and removal, if necessary, but not assault!

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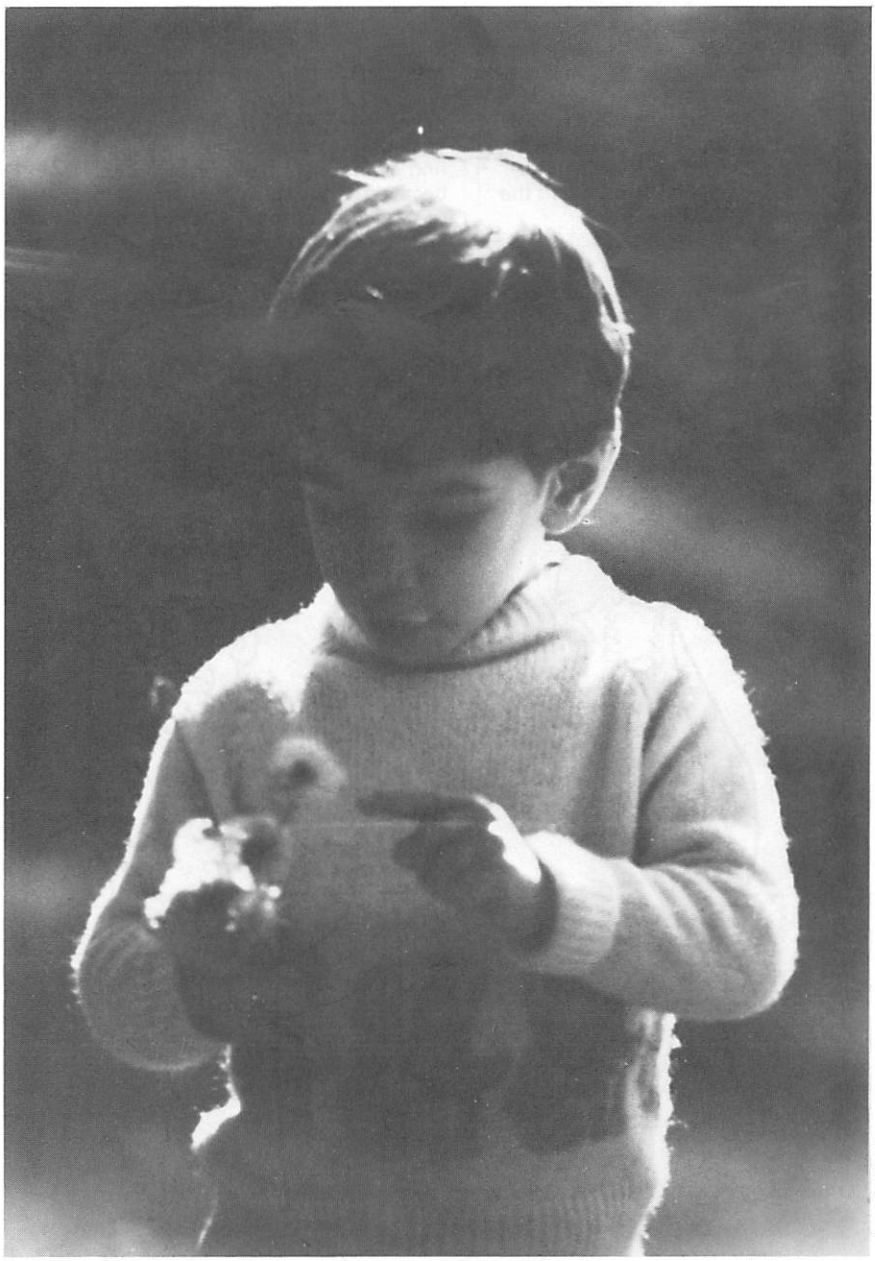
I'm concerned about the increased number of "skin" magazines that our male campers invariably snuggle up to camp. We've found 11 and 12 year olds as well as 14 and 15 year olds doing it and the numbers continue to increase, not decrease. Our policy has always been to confiscate this pornography and keep it in the Staff Quarters out of their reach; last year our Director told us to throw the magazines in the garbage in front of the campers and that would be a better lesson for them. Please comment.

R.G., Orillia, Ontario

We agree that the influx of this sort of magazine is a veritable problem; the difficulty is finding a "best" way of making it a valuable learning experience for the campers involved. Our greatest consternation comes from the double-standard approach; that is, removing the magazines to the confines of the Staff quarters where the Staff ogle and make crude comments and scrutinize the pictures and the campers KNOW this is going on! You see, we teach most importantly by modelling and any psychologist will tell you this. This is obviously a disastrous way of modelling appropriate behaviour or healthy attitudes toward women. The major objection we have with "skin" magazines is their objectification of a female; the viewer experiences her as a collection of parts only and the personality and the integrity of the spirit is totally undermined. If you simply toss the magazines into the garbage, you are destroying someone's property, but more importantly, what have the campers learned? They'll still buy the stuff at a later date and no value has been imparted to them. That's our main point; we feel that a potential opportunity exists in the kind of situation you are bringing forward and it's indeed possible through discussion and questioning and probing their minds and attitudes and feelings to engender a feeling of "these magazines really do offend us all, don't they?" Talk about dating, about treating women with respect and dignity, about their role and responsibility with respect to birth control, about ways of treating women as persons and not falling for the breast-fixated appetites that advertisers so desperately promote; discuss feelings and how embarrassment is natural; reinforce our male-female similarities without accentuating our differences; talk about the importance of the self-concept and how they can make themselves feel better by making others feel better; emphasize how important personality is and that it will last until death – the buxom body has about a decade of survival. These are the kinds of points of discussion we can generate with 12 year olds or 15 year olds or 40 year olds! Dialogue, discussion and modelling are far more important than punishment or the simple destruction of a smutty magazine – we can eventually win the war by not creating a need! And by the way, if you're honest and sincere and willing to dialogue this way and the campers know how you feel, you can leave the material with the campers and rest assured that they're unlikely to want to refer to those mags again; some might even throw them out on their own! We've seen it happen.

Thank you for your letters. We regret that we cannot answer each one personally; however, we will endeavour to publish the most interesting and provocative ones. Address all letters to: The Camping Advisor, c/o The Editor, Canadian Camping, 1806 Avenue Road, Suite 2, Toronto, Ontario M5M 3Z1.



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GROUP DYNAMICS EXERCISE

by: Jay Haddad

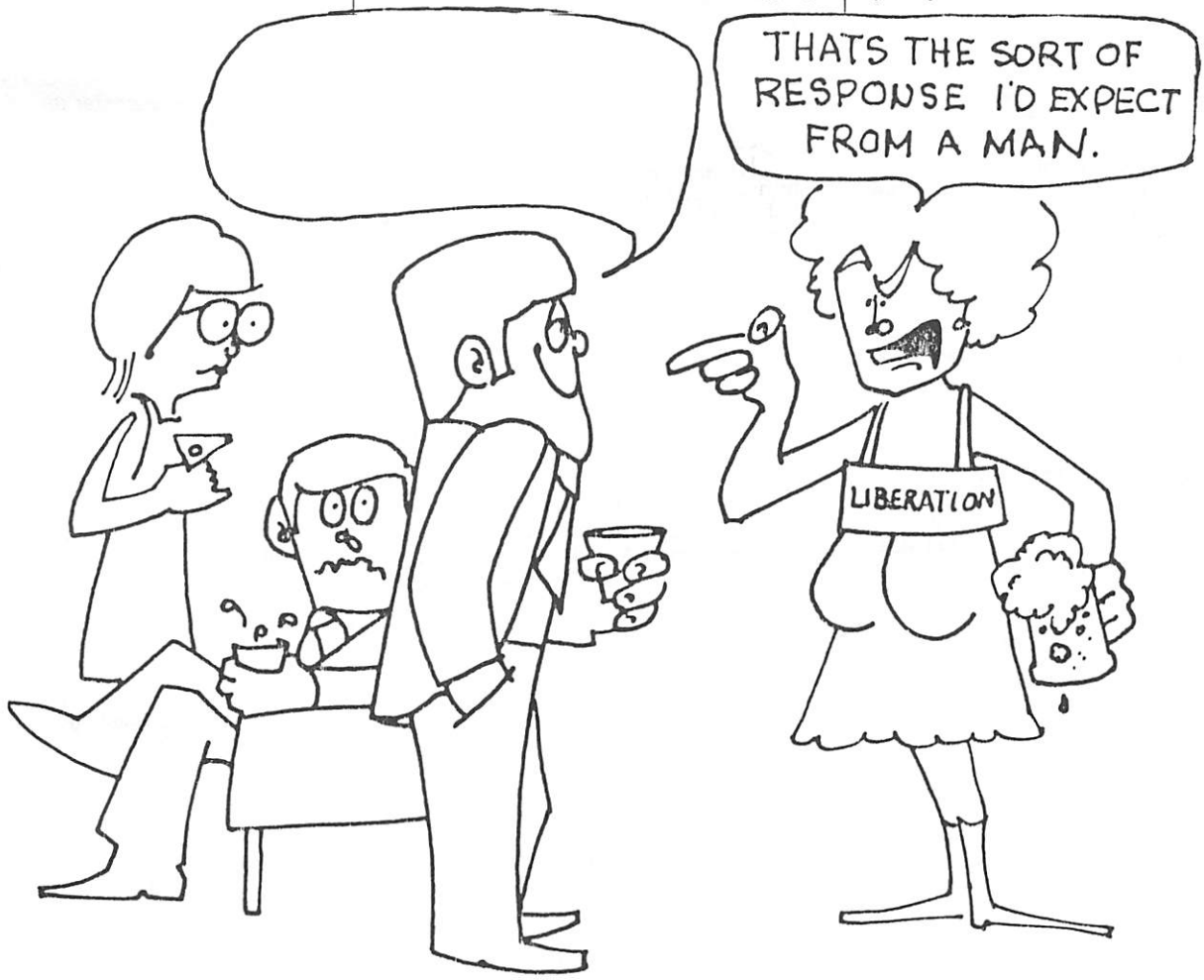
Stereotyping! We're forever labelling people and forming immediate impressions of people which often prevent us from getting closer because we become "arrested" at our first perception. Alport defines a stereotype as a "preconceived 'picture in one's head' of how a particular person OUGHT to act". And because we sometimes "expect" people to act a certain way, they often do (according to the way in which we perceive the behaviour) which is called a self-fulfilling prophesy. Many studies have shown that this phenomenon of stereotyping is especially prevalent in our schools; this is because we associate one attribute with another. For example, we associate someone who is "attractive" with also being "intelligent"; similarly, teachers (unconsciously) find "unattractive" kids to be "stupid". We associate "fat" kids with being "lazy" and we'll (unconsciously) often reinforce the perception as well as the behaviour.

In 1971 I applied for and received $20,000.00 from the Federal Government to make a film through the University of Windsor on STEREOTYPING. The goal was grandiose: eliminate stereotyping! We wanted to examine six categories of people commonly stereotyped: students, factory workers, Indians, small businessmen, welfare recipients and policemen. We all have preconceived "pictures in our heads" of how categories of people act such as those mentioned. However, we quickly learned that to erase sterotyping was to erase communicating and that was impossible. It is possible, though, to teach people about their communications and help people to understand that stereotyping is normal and natural but that it acts as a great barrier in our interactions. That's the whole point of this exercise; once you recognize that you ARE labelling someone in a stereotypical manner because he's black or Jewish or Catholic or fat or handicapped or whatever, you are better able to get beyond that barrier to understand that behind those labels stands a person very much like yourself: a person with needs and fears and hopes and anxieties and dreams.

Using the two cartoon sketches, have your groups (three or four) fill in the captions with comments they feel might be said in the given situations. After these are completed, share them with the other groups, have a laugh, explore the social contexts or perceptions of each given situation and then talk about ASSUMPTIONS. Discuss the assumptions that the group made about the given situations and then discuss the many ways in which we make other "similarly wrong" assumptions about people and situations in our every day experiences or in our camp situations.

The greatest battle against stereotyping is to be constantly challenging yourself asking: why do I feel this way? Are my assumptions valid? Am I being fair? Am I distancing myself from someone because of labels? Oftentimes, especially at camp, we have our kids stereo-

typed BEFORE they get off the bus! Imagine! Most counsellors will ask the previous year's counsellor if this kid was the trouble-maker or this one the star athlete or if this was the kid that stole etc. and then we think that we've got it all figured out, when in reality we've just committed a great communications injustice because of the ASSUMPTIONS we are making. It's unfair at the very least to assume that a child who's just spent a year in the city is going to be the "same" as he was last summer. The important point about stereotyping is to be aware and cognizant of the fact that we are doing it and that it is wrong; only then can you get Into The Icicle Mirror (the name of our film) and shatter the frozen reflection of an image we have of a person and get beyond the tyranny of our labels.



Assumptions that you made about the situation:

A Prayer

O Father, whose voice I hear in the winds, and whose breath gives life to all the world, hear me, I am a child before You, one of your many children.

I am small and weak. I need your strength and wisdom. Let me walk in Beauty and make my eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset.

Make my hands respect the things You have made; my ears sharp to hear Your voice. Make me wise, so that I may know the things You have taught my people, the lessons You have hidden in every leaf and rock.

I seek strength, Father - not to be superior to my brothers, but to be able to fight my greatest enemy, myself. Make me ever ready to come to You with clean hands and straight eye so that when life fades as the fading sunset my spirit may come to You without shame.

- Tom Whitecloud

prayer inscribed on monument at St. Regis Reservation - Akwesane Mohawk

CAMPER MOTIVATION
A New Look at an Old Topic

by Diane Blair, Camp Gay Venture

A child is like a banana. Of all the theories, principles, psychological tactics and game techniques promoted over the years, no one has come up with this one. *Michael Brandwein* did. He's a Chicago lawyer who uses his experience not only in camping but, magic, educational television and Second City Improvisation to make his point. Doubling as a professional leadership and educational training consultant, he stakes his claim on establishing motivation through defining what's relevant to the group and to the event.

Human energy need r ot be spent on the old and impossible task of 'inding needs but on creating them tailor-made to the setting. What's the trick? Generating tension. Brandwein names five compounding avenues for generating tension: challenge; competition; reward; fantasy and deception. Anyone who's worked with children in the last few years should have thoughts of the dark ages with the mention of competition or deception. Without a doubt, the tension principle needs some explanation.

Tension may also be thought of as creating suspense. This is a more palatable thought perhaps, but, it's the application which is of greatest importance. For instance, how can cabin clean up with a group of 13 year olds be made suspenseful?

Challenge: The essence of challenge is in the delivery. Do not confront but create an atmosphere of wonder or doubt. "I've never seen thirteen year olds that could really clean anything. You're all the same, clean is just not in your nature." Imagine being accused of being just like every other kid. The challenge to impress has been made.

Competiton: No greater swear word exists for cooperative learning and new game buffs than competition. But, look beyond competition of one against another to competition against oneself and one's imagination. The positive powers of competition can be limitless. Why? Another faux pas: manipulation. Just as a good actor can control his audience, a good leader can hold participants by manipulating the level of difficulty and mode of competition. Involving the group in problem solving can add challenge to competition and compound motivation.

"So you actually can clean a cabin. I'm impressed, but I see why most kids can't be bothered. It takes too long and I know there's no way kids could do *so well* any faster." A subtle problem has been presented. The result - a challenge against themselves, competition against the imaginary world of 'typical children' and lots of space for improvement.

Reward: Remember the old faithfuls: fifteen minutes later to bed; double snacks or a swim during rest hour. All are physical rewards. Without slipping into theories, Brandwein looks to the other end of the spectrum, to those ego building 'pats on the back'.

"Look at this unbelievable cabin," you tell the counsellor next door as she's dragged into the cabin. "Just look at Cathy's bed and Martha's trunk, and check out this floor Laurie did . . ."

To portray this avenue Brandwein was a master of disguises, from a sportscaster to a doctor. All are facades to enable delivery of reward. Such skills are valuable but the most valuable is the maintenance of genuine enthusiasm and a personal approach.

Fantasy: With skill and practice comes expertise. Brandwein's final avenues seem the tools of the advanced motivator. His version of fantasy is comparable to Steve Van Matre's methods for acclimatization. That is, create a scene and develop roles.

Take the Seven Dwarfs. All 'Sleepy' does is make perfect beds, 'Dopey' meticulously tidies shelves and 'Sneezy' sweeps a spotless floor. Tomorrow campers challenge themselves to a new character role. For the more advanced crew a more advanced scene; perhaps designing the ultimate robots. Each has the perfect program for the most efficient cleaning job imaginable. If accomplished well, this could be their ticket to fame and fortune.

Deception: Also maximized by the creative mind, deception may otherwise be titled productive lying. It's the art of taking the task out of getting things done. Brandwein described having had a hundred day-campers waiting to be bussed home. With an approaching heavy storm, it was necessary to delay plans and move for shelter. It is evident that cooperation of a massive proportion must be obtained.

From the shelter is seen a secretive but obvious figure putting up a movie screen. Brandwein begins:

> Listen you guys, I hear our programme director has our favorite ROADRUNNER movie, and he thinks he's going to watch it all by himself. We're not going to allow that are we? I'll bet if we're really quiet, get down really low, and move all together we can sneak in behind him and catch him in the act! (pause) . . . I don't know if you guys can be that sneaky though . . . You can! O.K. then, really quiet now, get down low . . .

A child is like a banana. It's clearer now. A leader need not be compelled to 'do things' to kids who don't want to participate. A good banana is ripe and marked by its experience. The superb leader can peel it open with real problem solving opportunities and find the fine fruit hidden inside. It is one's skill in creating needs that takes the task out of being peeled. Specifically, one's skill in creating challenge, competition, reward, fantasy and deception.

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AEC: A Major Qualification for Aquatic Emergencies

by: The Royal Life Saving Society Canada

Aside from whistle blowing (an unfortunate and much abused habit), first aid is probably the most often used skill by lifeguards. With each emergency ranking differently on the life-threatening scale, people who work in aquatic situations must be able to deal with a severe hemorrhage as efficiently as they deal with a bleeding nose.

Aquatic Emergency Care (AEC) is a training program for aquatic staff: counsellors, lifeguards, instructors, waterfront and pool supervisors, change room attendents, etc. Because of the unique environmental hazards surrounding their work place, these people need more knowledge and skill than either the general public or those who work in non-aquatic environments. Aquatic Emergency Care training specializes in the techniques most appropriate to the aquatic environment and equips staff members to handle any emergency on the scale.

Specialized Aquatic Focus

One of the unique features of the AEC course, aside from its aquatic orientation, is its flexibility: the core content can be tailored to the needs and prior training of the candidates. Highly professional lifeguard teams in large indoor pools will have needs differently from camp counsellors who deal with waterfront settings and canoe trips.

The course is practical in nature. Theoretical material is introduced only if it has a bearing on practice.

The length of the AEC course can vary depending on the background knowledge of the participants and their specific needs for the working situation. For a group of staff members who have a minimum of Bronze Medallion, AEC skills can be learned in about twenty hours of practice.

Major Emergencies: Minor Qualifications

Minor emergencies are most common and take up probably ninety percent of a lifeguard's first aid duties - patrons seem to have a knack for collecting scrapes, cuts, burns and bumps. But staff members have to be ready to handle the unexpected and potentially tragic aquatic emergency at any time. These are high on the life-threatening scale and call for immediate and exacting treatment followed by rush referral to emergency medical services. While these major emergencies may be rare, staff response and treatment must be performance perfect. Do not ask staff members to face the demands of a major emergency with minor qualifications.

Pre-Season or In-Service Training

The practical focus, the specificity of the training to aquatic situations and its flexibility in adapting to individual staff requirements made Aquatic Emergency Care the fastest growing program Royal Life offers. Since 1978, when it was first introduced, AEC participation has increased by no less than fifty percent each year. Over 2300 staff members were certified in 1982.

Recognizing the value of this specialized course and their responsibility to the public, municipalities and camps most often use AEC as the core of their pre-season or in-service training programs. It is a challenging alternative that appeals to all staff members because they learn skills they will actually use on the deck or on the beach every day.

Content Endorsed

St. John Ambulance recognizes the expertise of the Royal Life Saving Society Canada in emergency care techniques for the aquatic environment and endorses the AEC training program. The certification card carries the logos of both organizations. Content includes:

- principles and priorities of emergency care with special emphasis on vital signs and victim examination
- basic near-drowning physiology and the implications for airway management and special respiratory problems
- wounds, fractures and injuries to the chest or abdomen
- head and spinal injuries
- pressure-related injuries
- temperature-related problems: hypo-, hyperthermia, burns
- drugs and poisoning
- Canadian Heart Foundation training in CPR
- psychological aspects of victim care and rescuer response: anxiety and stress
- entry into emergency medical services.

For Specific Information

Contact your provincial branch office of the Royal Life Saving Society Canada.

New Brunswick holds Winter Workshop

by Ian Fowler, NBCA President

The New Brunswick Camping Association recently held its first Winter Outdoor Skills Institute, with nineteen delegates present for three days of skill and leadership development.

After braving a snowstorm to reach Cassidy Lake, the delegates enjoyed a hot supper and were ready to begin full participation in the prepared program. Consultant/Advisor Bryan Dumouchel started the workshop off with a series of co-operative games which set a positive tone for the remainder of the week-end.

Friday morning, the delegates again participated in a group building program in initiative tasks followed by a session on winter hazards. With the weatherman's co-operation, everyone enjoyed afternoon sessions on cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. Without question, the skiing session provided an unforgettable experience for many of those present.

The evening session was again conducted by Bryan and saw the delegates involved in a "Night Hike" experience, a program area that was new to most participants. Upon arriving back inside, everyone enjoyed a session on quiet games which certainly challenged the group's intellectual ability.

The sun was shining again for Saturday's program which saw participation in campskills and map and compass. The opportunity to build quinzee shelters was a first for most participants. Saturday evening saw everybody enjoy a cook-out supper then return inside for a session on clothing and equipment. After mug-up many of the delegates enjoyed a sleep-out in shelters and tents erected during the day.

The final day of the workshop was designated to allow participants the opportunity to develop skills and concepts in nature appreciation. Bryan Dumouchel conducted an interesting session on programming covering aspects from the land ethic to games.

Participants then gathered for a superb closing banquet, followed by the presentation of certificates.

W.O.S.I. co-ordinator Ian Fowler termed the event a "resounding success" and indicated that similar workshops will be held in the future.

The New Brunswick Camping Association gratefully acknowledges the financial contributions of Fitness Canada, the New Brunswick Department of Youth and Recreation, and the Canadian Camping Association toward this project and wish to extend a special thank-you to Bryan Dumouchel whose dedicated leadership made the project such a meaningful experience for the delegates.

Loons

by Pam Robbins

Loons have always fascinated me, but it was a rare experience with a family of loons that made me realize how truly magnificent they are.

One early morning in late June as I was paddling along the shoreline of a northern lake, I noticed an adult loon ferrying a newborn chick on its back. Eager to spot the mate and other chick, I continued to paddle slowly into a secluded marshy bay. Within moments I caught my first glimpse of the female loon on her nest. As I approached more closely, she shifted her position just enough to reveal an egg.

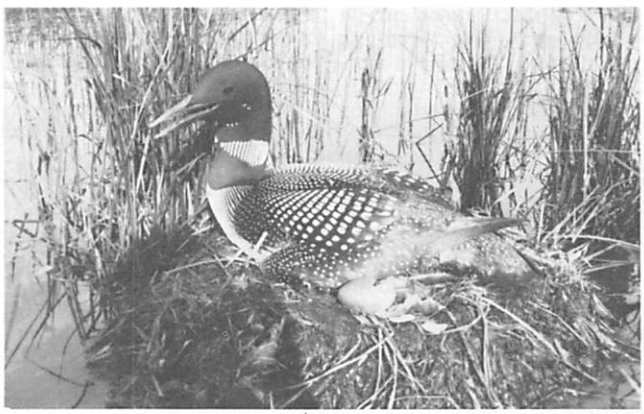
My heart raced at the thought of such a once-in-a-lifetime stroke of good luck and perfect timing. For what seemed like forever, I sat within paddle length from the nest and nervously photographed the hatching. The loon, having realized she was not at risk, gradually relaxed to the point of eye contact. We had shared something intimate.

When the chick was safely tucked under its mother's wing, I reluctantly left, only to return a few hours later to find them on the water with the first pair, the newly hatched chick perched on its mother's back.

The Common Loon (Gavia Immer) or Great Northern Diver, is proficient at swimming and diving, although very awkward on land as its legs are positioned at the very end of the body. Consequently they spend most of their time afloat, and only mating and nesting instincts bring them ashore.

A loon's nest consists of a mound of vegetation situated next to water to provide a quick escape route. Two large, brownish eggs are laid 24 hours apart and hatch 29 days later. The chicks learn to swim and dive soon after the natal down is dry. By autumn they are able to fly. Loons migrate in the late fall to inland coastal waters, returning to the north to mate soon after the ice is out.

In North American bird books, the loon is ranked first and lowest in order by ornitholi-



gists as it has retained more of its primitive characteristics than other birds.

The loon's distinctive markings make it extremely photogenic. The iridescent greenish-black head, black neck with its band of white stripes, black body with white squares and dots, white breast and stunning red eyes offer striking contrasts.

The loon is a large bird (5-9 lbs/11-20 kg) and its nearly solid bones contribute to a specific gravity close to that of water, resulting in its ability to submerge instantly at the slightest sign of danger.

Due to body form, loons need long water take-offs to acquire the necessary momentum for lift-off. Once airborne, they reach speeds of 60 m.p.h. (100 k.p.h.).

Loons are found in pairs, usually returning to the same nesting site each year. While mating, loons indulge in various antics such as courtship dancing. When nesting, loons are fiercely territorial, displaying spectacular maneuvers to lure away intruders.

The incomparable call of the loon has no rival – 6 different calls have been identified. Many who have paddled a canoe, pitched a tent in the woods and gazed into a glowing campfire have come to love their wild echoeing cries and marvel at the sound. Should their voice ever cease, the wilderness would never be the same.

The loon has long been a symbol of the wilderness. Those who have been privileged to know them in their natural habitat have been left with a profound impression. Loons have been protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act since 1913. But despite this, their future looks dim. Loons need solitude and seclusion to reproduce. Loss of habitat to development, disturbances by motorboats, invasion of nesting sites, loss of eggs and chicks to predators, all pose severe threats and have resulted in many loons forsaking their former haunts to seek out more remote areas.

Other dangers that have plagued loons include pesticides found in their food supply, botulism, and oil spills on wintering grounds. But recently, there has emerged a far more serious threat. In the next few years many lakes in the eastern part of the continent may lose their ability to neutralize acid rain and snow and consequently may become incapable of supporting the aquatic life on which loons depend.

Unless something is done, a painful silence may descend on our cherished lakes and serve as a poignant reminder of a tragic loss.

WINNING PHOTO!

Our winning photo this issue was submitted by **Pam Robbins, Taylor Statten Camps,** Toronto, Ontario. This photo was also awarded 1st prize in the Canadian Nature Category at the recent International Camping Congress.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This has been an outstanding year for CCA/ACC! I want to thank each of you for your support of the 1983 International Camping Congress. This was the largest single event in our history and so many of you contributed so much to this success: leadership to sessions, displays and sing songs; financial contributions from individuals and collectively from Provincial Associations; hospitality to those from other countries; unequalled dedication by John Latimer, Congress Chairman, and his Steering Committee - each of you can be proud and pleased.

Our Association has received significant financial support from Fitness Canada over the year. Karl Benne has shared his talents with us and we are now fortunate to have Don Fairweather's guidance in future. The funds from Fitness Canada have permitted us to plan together more adequately during frequent meetings and also to expand our activities and involvements because consultant/advisors have been available to visit at various Provincial Association meetings.

At this 1983 Annual Meeting, we are pleased to participate with the Manitoba Camping Association. During the year, we have also had opportunities to gather in Ontario, Alberta and Newfoundland. The CCA/ACC Officers are appreciative of the hospitality received during these visits.

A sincere thank you to several members of the Executive whose terms are complete. Gary Luthy (Western) and Jane McCutcheon (Central) have been Vice Presidents for the past two years and their contributions are evident. Dinny Biggs has done a superb job as the Leadership Development Programs Chairman. Linda Arnold, Research and Peter Rasberry, Environment are concluding their two-year terms of office. Wayne Perkins chaired the Consultation/Speakers Bureau Task Force and Jack Pearse concludes his term as Chairman of the Task Force on the Feasibility Study for a 1985 National Conference. Finally, John Latimer our thanks to you for your tenacity and zeal.

George Matthews (East) Vice President has been re-elected and his continuing involvement will be welcomed; thank you George. The CCA/ACC Secretary, Jan James, and Treasurer, George Ross, have agreed to assume another term in their respective capacities and this is very much appreciated. Cliff Labbett has been an involved and helpful Past President, and it is good to know his contributions will continue over the next two years. We welcome Pauline Rondeau who has recently accepted the Chairmanship of the French Language Committee. Louis Jean, newly elected (Central) and Terry Burkhalter (Western) Vice Presidents will also be great additions to the Executive. We welcome Hugh Phillips who has accepted the Chairmanship of a new Task Force re CCA/ACC activities in the 1985 International Year of Youth.

A salute to Marnie Ellis, our energetic Chairman of Public Relations and Promotion. What a great job you are doing Marnie and thanks for launching the National Camping Day effort; a significant promotional effort for camping across the country. The Publications Chairmen, Wendy Wren, Judy Richards and Beth Moon will continue the work they have started with this important aspect of our activities. Bruno Morawetz has agreed to press on with Archives, as will Dorothy Walter, Education, Barry Lowes, Immigration, Brian Law, Standards and Janet Adamson, Retail Sales - our thanks to each of you. And thanks to Jay Haddad, Newsletter Chairman who has agreed to continue developing Canadian Camping.

Marjorie Booth, our Executive Director, gives unceasingly of her time and talents. She has responded cheerfully to all demands and we are fortunate to have her in this role.

Finally, thank you all for your support as I commence this new term as CCA/ACC President. The '83 Congress theme says it - together we are stronger. I pledge my best efforts to the goals of CCA/ACC as together we strive to develop and improve camping across Canada.

Jocelyn Palm

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The year 1982/83 will go down in history as a very important one for the Canadian Camping Association. The volunteer leaders of our committees and task forces achieved many objectives in their respective action plans. We, therefore, revised and prepared our new CCA/ACC Action Plan for 1983-1986.

As a result of volunteers, efforts during the last years, we completed several original tasks and the committee or task force responsible have been terminated. These include the Funding Committee; the 1983 International Camping Congress Task Force; the 1985 National Conference Task Force; and the Nominations Committee.

We continue to receive financial contributions from Fitness Canada for which we are very grateful. These funds provide a significant portion of our administration budget. As well, Fitness Canada supported Consultant/Advisors to several provinces and air travel for delegates to attend our Pre-Congress Workshops on Standards, Education and Promotion.

During the past year, the Board of the CCA/ACC has contributed to my professional development in several ways. In June, I attended the first year program of the Canadian Institute on Association Management. This is a joint program of the Institute of Association Management and the Canadian Chamber of Commerce. In addition, I participated in camping association conferences and workshops to promote the Congress, book sales, and/or give leadership in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, the U.S.A. and the Christian Camping International - Canadian Division Conference.

Our national office staff has increased this year. Sharon Freedman joined our association staff in November and works two days per week. She has capably assumed the typing and presentation of the written materials circulated to Board Members and Chairmen. Mary Roy continues the functions of bookkeeping, invoicing, and working directly with the Publications Committee to order and inventory our book sales. Together, Sharon and Mary provide excellent support services five days per week. Thank you both for all your hard work during this very busy year.

Four Chairmen have made superior efforts this year. Brian Law, Standards, Dorothy Walter, Education and Marnie Ellis, P.R. & Promotion Chairmen led workshops which will have long-term benefits for the Association. John Latimer's work on the International Camping Congress was tremendous.

As we begin a new two-year cycle in the life of the Association, I want to thank all the volunteers who give so much to the CCA/ACC. It is a pleasure to work with such dedicated individuals and to seek new challenges in the growth of organized camping together.

Marjorie Booth

NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR

During the summer of 1982 information packets were distributed to our agency camps by members of the Executive who visited the camps on our behalf. These included copies of the Standards booklet, our brochure, a recent newsletter, a song book and other program resource material.

The fall brought the realization that we had to meet with our members and hear their wishes as to what programs they would find useful, otherwise we might be working in a vacuum. At that meeting, about 30 attending, we had discussion groups which submitted several priority items they would like to see done by the Association. These were:

a) Leadership Training courses held annually for staff;
b) An up-to-date directory, and a resource directory of staff, speakers and equipment available;
c) More pulicity through other agency newsletters.

We are gradually taking action on these suggestions. We are getting a directory ready, the newsletter for the spring is under way, and we are scheduling a leadership course for the last weekend in May.

In April we will hold our Annual Meeting and Spring Seminar day and will be having as our guests, our CCA President, Jocelyn Palm, and our Eastern Vice-President, George Matthews.

We are very pleased to welcome as a new agency member the Max Simms Memorial Camp for the Handicapped at Bishop's Falls in central Newfoundland. They had a busy and successful year last year, and we hope they will take part in our activities as much as possible.

To help us get our Standards and Accreditation program advanced, we have plans for a summer project whereby camps will be visited and a report compiled.

At this time I would like to express our thanks to Kevin Moore and his Executive for their valuable contributions to the NLCA. We are endeavouring to set in motion some of the ideas they put forward last year.

I would like to extend our thanks as well to CCA for their kind words and willingness to help us. It makes the distance and cutbacks somewhat easier to deal with if we know we are supported by our "mainland" friends.

For us, the International Congress in Toronto in January was an exciting and encouraging event. We were fortunate in having attendees at the three workshops and they have been making a contribution to our Association since.

We hope by this time next year to have increased our membership, visited more camps and to have found a home for our resource material and perhaps some basic logistical problems we have had will be sorted out. Now that year-round conference centres are the coming thing here, we need to be ready and accessible to offer help and be consulted, and to do so we need to be more up-front than has been possible up to now. We can always try. . .

Elizabeth Wegenast

NOVA SCOTIA

The highlight of the year was the Camping Association's involvement in a Community Development Project funded by the Federal Government. We were provided with three staff through the Project and these additional persons enabled us to do many things that would not have been accomplished.

In May, we held our Annual Counsellor Conference with Jay Haddad and Jude deGuerre taking the main roles but with many other sessions taking place to wet the participants' appetite for running a good camp program.

In June, the Association held a training session for counsellors in Cape Breton at Camp AiteBreagh in Orangedale. This was the first time that a Counsellor Training weekend was held in Cape Breton. It was well attended and was a very successful weekend - so much so that a similar event is being planned for next year.

During the summer, our staff provided special training events for individual camps and visited all the camps to carry the message of the Association and its operation. Interestingly enough, and maybe not so, but some of the Directors operating camps had never heard of the Association! Apparently, our message and material is not filtering down to the camp level. The actual visitation is good and will allow us to provide up-to-date information for our new Directory.

Plans were formulated and developed to inform as many people as possible of the International Congress to be held in Toronto in January. As a result of this effort and financial assistance from the Department of Culture, Recreation and Fitness for the Province of Nova Scotia and Fitness Canada, fifteen persons were assisted with travel funds to attend the Congress. We wish to thank both of these bodies for their assistance. The Association itself, was able to also provide some funds. In all, Nova Scotia had over thirty persons in attendance at the Congress. Not bad for a small province. Prior to the Congress, five of our members attended workshops on Education, Standards and Promotion. As a result of the Promotion workshop, we will participate in National Camping Day on April 14, 1983.

During the year, we surveyed our member camps to provide us with information on their training needs. This information is being put together by Jude deGuerre and will be available for next year's training programs.

We have been asked to participate in a workshop designed to evaluate the Nova Scotia Outdoor Leadership Development Program in March and Murray Wickwire will be our representative.

During the year, we received additional funds from the Department of Culture, Recreation and Fitness to enable us to sponsor the training sessions and funds to provide services to our members. For this we express our thanks to the Department.

George H. Matthews

NEW BRUNSWICK

The past year has been one of significant growth and achievement for the New Brunswick Camping Association, thanks to the numerous hours of effort put forth by our volunteers. Certainly, without the commitment of these individuals, NBCA would not be the strong, unified body it is today.

Many activities highlighted the past year, however, those offered by the Training Committee had the broadest effect on the general membership. The spring Counsellor/Director week-end attracted eighty-five delegates with John Jorgenson from Camp Tawingo providing exceptional leadership to the event. The fall Annual Meeting attracted over 50 people and was combined with a luncheon speaker, entertainment and a workshop for camp committee members. Our association is indebted to Jack Pearse and Jane McCutcheon for their outstanding contributions to this event. Our first Winter Outdoor Skills Institute was also very successful with nineteen delegates present for four days of leadership and skill

development in Winter Camping. Bryan Dumouchel provided excellent leadership to this workshop. NBCA gratefully acknowledges the support of the CCA and Fitness Canada for providing consultant advisors for two of these events.

Our other committees besides performing their routine duties have all provided significant contributions to our growth. An awards program recognizing our volunteers, a new newsletter format, an attractive promotional brochure and membership kit, our first set of by-laws, a major fund-raising campaign, improved French language service, and continued membership growth are but a few of the many achievements.

Without question, the past year has been extremely encouraging for our association. To ensure the continuation of our momentum we are preparing a three year master plan thus providing us with a direction for the future.

In conclusion, I wish to thank our dedicated board for their efforts, Flora Dell, and the New Brunswick Department of Youth and Recreation for their financial support, the numerous corporate companies for their donations and our special friends from Camp Tawingo for their valued leadership. As a team, we have bonded together to provide camping in New Brunswick with a strong foundation.

Ian R. Fowler

QUÉBEC

Le program d'accréditation de l'Association des camps du Québec a fait l'objet d'un renouvellement important. Ce programme est orienté vers une auto-évaluation des membres, le respect des normes universelles et du code d'éthique.

Une étude de marché a été réalisée cette année et démontre le haut taux de satisfaction de la clientèle. Un guide d'évaluation des services est actuellement en phase de réalisation. Tous ces projets se veulent des éléments essentiels aux gestionnaires.

La Semaine des camps, activité importante et connue au Québec depuis plus de cinq ans. Salons d'expositions, centres commerciaux, émissions de radio et de télévision, articles de journaux et revues permettent à l'ACQ de faire connaître ses membres et sa propre existence. Plusieurs sessions de formation ont été réalisées dont une sur le "marketing" qui a suscité un grand intérêt. Au printemps, un colloque pour les directeurs, le personnel-cadre et les moniteurs se tiendra les 13-14-15 mai 1983.

Claire Ménard

ONTARIO

The highlight of the past year for OCA was the International Congress held in Toronto in January. Chairman John Latimer and his committee presented a professional, lively and smoothly run conference on behalf of CCA and Ontario was honoured to host this event. We all enjoyed meeting delegates from across Canada, and the sharing and celebration that resulted.

Apart from Congress, events in Ontario proceeded as usual - a Spring Counsellor Conference at Seneca College, various workshops and forty nine Standards visits in the summer. One innovation that proved to be very successful in June was the "last minute placement camper service". Camps notified us of their vacancies and the office advised parents, as they phoned in, of these vacancies. We plan to repeat this service this year.

1983 is OCA's 50th anniversary and plans are under way for a birthday celebration on April 25th at our annual meeting. The Archives Committee is publishing a booklet of the OCA's history to commemorate this anniversary. This will be available in the Autumn.

The past year for OCA has been busy and this year promises to be lively - we hope that many CCA members will visit us at our next conference in the winter of 1984 in Toronto.

Janet Adamson

MANITOBA

The 1982 year was another good one for MCA. I have served on the executive committee for 5 years, 3 of which were as chairman of the board. I've seen growth and I've experienced times of frustration and growth pains. The factor that has to be the highlight during my leadership and what I feel are real pluses for MCA are the individual members who help make the association work by volunteer commitment. As a prairie association we recognize our need for each other within the membership and the importance of the national association, CCA. We learn so much from each other.

Some of the highlights of the year were:

1. The compiling of a camp directory that was distributed to MCA members and distributed widely at a "Parade on Camps" which was held at the St. Vital Mall. Fifteen camps cooperated in displaying a united front for the public to choose good camps to send their children to.
2. The standards program continues to be a high priority for the association and again this year the visitations program involved many volunteers who reported their appreciation for the program and what it did for them personally as well as the importance of the association maintaining a high profile in this important aspect of MCA.
3. The Training Committee utilized the resources of CCA leaders by calling on Ron Johnstone to lead a Camp Directors seminar on camp financing in January of 1982. In November at the fall Directors Conference Marj Booth updated us on the work of CCA and facilitated a discussion that allowed us as an association discover our individual and corporate need in the area of C.I.T. development and all of the mechanics involved in maintaining a good C.I.T. program.
4. In 1982 we compiled a handbook on the history and the mechanics of running the Sunshine Fund in cooperation with the Winnipeg Free Press. A lot of work goes into this project and we feel there are many pluses that MCA gains through this cooperative effort.
5. Donations for '82 to the Sunshine Fund surpassed previous years. The comparative figures are as follows:

Received in 1980	$11,906.35
1981	25,241.13
1982	34,759.66

   Needless to say, we feel good about the community support that provided over 283,610 camper days in 1982.
6. The MCA newsletter continues to be a big success as MCA and CCI (Christian Camping International, MB division) cooperate in a joint effort to publish 5 to 6 newsletters a year. The fine work of Cliff Derksen as artist and editor has been much appreciated.
7. Bryan Hill, Manitoba Pioneer Camp, has been elected to serve as chairman of the MCA board and association. Brian has been my

vice president and now I feel that MCA is fortunate to have as its president a very capable leader, camper, and gifted person. CCA will continue to hear from us and I know Brian will be an asset on the CCA board.

Terry Burkhalter

SASKATCHEWAN

1982-83 is the year of optimism for the Saskatchewan Camping Association. It began with the great Spring Conference held on May 1. CCA came and gave us their expertise and enthusiasm. A large number of people participated in the events of the day and a number of new people came on the board at the annual meeting which was held the same day.

We began a new project for SCA in September under the guidance of Marvin Regehr. This was to put together a Directory of all camps in Saskatchewan. A major part of the project was to get the names and addresses and to get response from the many camps with whom we have no contact. We speak for about twenty camps but there are probably more than one hundred other camps out there who may or may not know we exist to speak for them. Projected date of release for the new Directory is April 1/83.

The '83 Spring Conference is in the planning stages. The keynote address will be given by Ron Johnstone now of Calgary. Several of the other sessions will be done by those who attended workshops at the Congress and brought back information to share with other camping people who were not able to go.

The high point of the year for the fifteen of us who went from Saskatchewan was Congress '83 in Toronto. Aside from the great workshops, seminars, and keynote addresses, a spinoff of value was the good relationships developed outside and inside the SCA. This infused the organization with strength to carry on. David Godwin has worked hard for the association and with his skills and enthusiasm at the top, the SCA is sure to see growth and achievement in 1983-84.

Karen Crawford

ALBERTA

The new Board of Directors began their term in February of 1982 with nearly a complete slate of new volunteers. This past year, even with its severe economic restraints, has had several highlights:

- **International Camping Congress, Toronto, Ontario**
  This four-day event will probably go down in history as the highlight of the camping movement in Canada during the past twenty-five years. Forty-five delegates from Alberta, (the largest delegation outside of Ontario) attended, representing a wide range of camps throughout the province. From these forty-five people, the association will draw its strength in the coming two years. The Congress Selection Committee was capably chaired by Wayne Perkins.
- **Great West Fund Raising Campaign**
  In September, Great West Entertainments Ltd. were contracted by the ACA Board to conduct a fund raising campaign which resulted in approximately $24,000 being raised.
  The allocation of these funds were appropriated by the Board as follows for 1983:

Regional Leadership Workshops	$3,000
Miscellaneous Leadership Workshop Subsidies	$2,000
International Camping Congress	$5,000
ACA Scholarship Fund	$1,250
Campership Fund	$6,000
Miscellaneous Projects	$7,000

- **Long Range Plan**
  The Long Range Plan has been updated and will continue to be our guiding light for the next three to five year period. A substantial amount of work, energy and time has been put into this document since October, 1980 when it was initially developed. Copies of the plan will be available at the conference and questions may be directed to any Board Member.
- **Committee Projects**
  Your Board of Directors undertook a number of tasks as related to various ACA committees i.e. education, standards, communication, conference, research and development. Various chairman established committees and utilizing the long range plan proceeded towards their mandate.
- **Area Reps**
  The five Area Reps made numerous contacts with camps and outdoor enthusiasts throughout the province promoting our Association and the camping movement in general. The Area Reps continue to play a key role in the Association as they are our liaison with various camps. Over the year a number of key issues such as leadership needs, facility development and grant information were handled by various reps and in turn, brought to the Board and general membership's attention.
- **National Association**
  The Canadian Camping Association is our national body and therefore, the communication link with other provinces and the Federal Government. I represented the ACA on the National Board of Directors. A number of priority areas presently being dealt with at a national level are standards, professional development, archives, immigration etc. The CCA is a strong and unified force representing the organized camping movement for the citizens of the country. In 1981, Alberta was capably represented on the CCA executive by Gary Luthy as Western Regional Vice President and Jan James as Secretary. A special word of thanks to Marjorie Booth, Executive Director and Jocelyn Palm, President, for their guidance and continual support to myself and the ACA Board.
- **Outdoor Recreation Section**
  Our Association receives funding on an annual basis from the Outdoor Recreation Section of the Provincial Recreation and Parks Department. In 1982, our grant amounted to $12,800. A special word of thanks is due Punch Jackson and Dianne Norris for providing continued support and assistance to our Association. We look forward to maintaining a close working relationship with our camping colleagues in the Outdoor Recreation Section.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the ACA Board Members for their efforts and support over the past year. For those whose term of service is up, I extend a welcome to keep in touch with the Association's activities and look forward to their continued support.

For those remaining and those joining the Board, 1983 promises to be an exciting year. There are many tasks to be accomplished, each with its own unique rewards.

Lastly, remember the words of William James . . . "I will act as if what I do makes a difference."

Michael Kenny

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Continuing progress is being made in camp visiting and in the implementation of our standards program. Government funding in 1982 permitted us to retain the company Dr. Don Arnold & Associates to assist us in our summer visiting program throughout the province. Despite careful monitoring in previous years, our system of visits and subsequent accreditation had broken down. As a result of this summer project the records were updated and visits were completed utilizing wherever possible local camping people. We hope this will result in further strengthening of regional groupings throughout the province.

Dr. Arnold prepared an excellent report and made significant recommendations that are currently being studied by our standards committee. Enrollments in the summer of 1982 were high for most camps according to statistics forms received in October.

Regular meetings of the B.C. Camping Association were not held during the winter of 1982-83. Previous attempts to hold meetings were not successful with few people participating. A major meeting in November was held to consider accreditation "Myth or Mandate". It is anticipated the recommendations from this meeting and Dr. Arnold's report will result in some significant changes in our accreditation program over the next few years.

Participation at International Camping Congress was excellent with 12 people from B.C. attending. For those who went it was a most exciting event, one that will have lasting values for us all.

The executive met regularly during the year attending to deal with many problems ranging from our involvement with the Outdoor Recreation Council to the development of further leadership education programs.

Our committee structure is gradually beginning to develop but our biggest single weakness is the lack of committed people.

Our major goal two years ago was to increase our participation and we have not been successful in achieving this end. Some sub committee structures are beginning to develop but this will continue to be a challenge in the years ahead.

Lorne Bowering

CCA/ACC NATIONAL STATISTICS

	1980-81 Summer	1981-82 Summer	1982-83 Summer
Total Camp Members	590	597	618
Accredited Member Camps	N/A	553	500
Non-Accredited Member Camps	N/A	44	118
Day Camps	126	125	69
Resident Camps	453	468	543
Extended Season Camps	N/A	(71)	190
Camper/Beds	64,276	74,762	71,182
Camper/Days	3,962,848	4,046,388	6,103,253
Individual Campers Registered	N/A	N/A	293,941
Foreign Campers	9,790	9,130	4,904
Foreign Camper/Days	1,503,268	185,609	119,158
Volunteer Staff	18,405	12,247	15,038
Paid Staff	19,282	20,539	20,080
Staff/Days	1,125,676	1,151,255	1,293,264
Foreign Staff	1,076	1,268	1,163
Staff/Students	18,787	16,784	18,211
$ Food (thousands)	11,454	12,607	12,923
$ Wages (thousands)	17,279	19,448	21,153
$ Foreign Wages (thousands)	558	524	415,897
$ Foreign Camper Fees	3,125	3,500	2,853,965

CCA/ACC STATISTICS 1982 - SUMMER

ITEM	NFLD. (1980)	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B.C.	TOTAL
I. ASSOCIATION										
Member Camp - Total	13	35	31	129	204	43	20	80	63	618
Member Camps - Accredited	—	35	—	129	197	22	9	56	52	500
Member Camps - Non-Accredited	13	—	31	—	7	21	11	24	11	118
Day Camps	4	7	1	10	29	6	—	7	5	69
Resident Camps	9	27	28	117	175	36	20	73	58	543
'Other' Camps	—	1	2	2	—	1	—	—	—	6
4 Season	—	—	3	49	26	12	2	—	26	118
3 Season	—	—	8	22	20	5	8	—	9	72
II. CAMPERS:										
Camper/Beds	1,350	3,330	2,331	15,791	28,613	3,257	3,130	8,544	4,836	71,182
Indiv. Campers	4,468	12,228	8,500	52,977	95,978	32,303	16,475	43,428	27,584	293,941
Camper/Days	603,195	117,737	43,218	820,812	1,776,834	143,642	89,801	286,976	221,038	6,103,253
Foreign Campers	—	191	6	432	3,463	381	7	24	400	4,904
Foreign Camper/Days	—	5,119	37	14,458	93,003	155	150	1,992	4,244	119,158
III. STAFF:										
Volunteer Staff	158	898	931	790	2,352	1,055	970	5,000	2,884	15,038
Paid Staff	195	482	406	4,618	10,890	705	826	1,232	726	20,080
Staff/Days	15,579	46,019	23,975	321,841	612,900	53,251	33,895	88,312	97,492	1,293,264
Foreign Staff	—	19	0	33	736	17	44	16	298	1,163
Staff - Students	237	459	512	3,975	9,533	883	532	1,236	844	18,211
IV. FINANCE:										
$ Food (thousands)	97	246	139	3,208	6,393	582	434	916	908	12,923
$ Wages (thousands)	136	436	495	5,371	9,789	870	604	2,212	1,240	21,153
$ Foreign Staff Wages	—	8,035	—	14,187	323,442	18,518	3,375	16,000	32,340	415,897
$ Foreign Camper Fees	—	45,653	281	145,938	2,560,769	1,611	863	7,480	91,370	2,853,965
% Return/Province	24%	56%	16%	48%	51.5%	54%	68%	75%	49%	

ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

The activities of this Committee were concentrated on the International Congress held in Toronto, January 26-29. Prior to this event, requests went to the Provincial Associations for slide trays depicting camp scenes representative of that province. The following Provincial Associations brought slide carousels and slides which were shown in the Archives Room.

Newfoundland, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Ontario, Saskatchewan and Nova Scotia.

Due to the efforts of a large number of people, but notably Helen Stewart, Bernadine Dodge and Ken Johnston, the Archives Room contained a splendid display of archival material enriched by exhibits from the Kanawa Museum provided by Professor Kirk Wipper and assisted by Eanswyth Flynn. In addition to the many pictorial displays, a photographic record of all former CCA Presidents was prepared consisting of two frames with empty spaces for the next five CCA Presidents.

The official opening of the Archives Room was attended by a large number of delegates from various parts of Canada. While wine and cheese was being enjoyed, the Chairman made a strong plea to those present to keep in mind that the records of today are the archives of tomorrow. He urged them to send all materials relating to the business of the Provincial Association to the CCA office for deposit at Trent University. The Chairman also expressed the hope that every Provincial Association will keep one of its members designated as the Archives Chairman whose job it will be to keep the CCA Committee informed.

It would take too long to mention the many volunteers who have so greatly contributed to the work of the Archives Committee but special mention must be made of Marjorie Booth and Helen Stewart who gave unstintingly of their time and talents.

Finally, your Chairman will be expecting a steady stream of communication from the various Provincial Associations.

Bruno Morawetz, Ph.D.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The action plan for this committee included a workshop to be held as a pre-congress event in January 1983. This goal was reached and the objectives for the workshop were achieved.

On January 25, 25, sixteen delegates representing every province met in Toronto with the three members of the Education Committee to discuss the proposed curriculum which forms the basis for the professional development of camp directors. The method used during the first day was to assign small discussion groups the topics of the curriculum. Each report to the total group on acceptance or changes suggested by the group was then ratified and by the end of the first day, all topics had been reviewed and ratified.

On the second day of the workshop, the groups re-formed to discuss the recommended methods for delivery for each specific topic. After lunch, discussions, by province, focussed on the ways in which the province could make this curriculum available to its members; and where they might require additional resources to accomplish this goal.

The final section of the workshop concentrated on the recommendations to the Education Committee and to the Canadian Camping Association for future action. These recommendations will form the basis of the Education Committee's work for the next year; and will be specifically set out in the workshop report to the President. As chairman, the dedication to the task by the delegates; and the support of John Wilkinson and Stan Talesnick as committee members and resource persons for the two days was sincerely appreciated.

Dorothy Walter

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

No report submitted.

EXECUTIVE WORKSHOP TASK FORCE

As a newly appointed chairman of the Executive Workshop, I can only report on the brief exercise I've performed and the plan for '83 that will coincide with G. Ivan Robinson's report last year and the Action Plan Objective in May of 1981 being: "to conduct by 1983 a pilot project of an annual workshop for volunteer executive members serving in Provincial Association which will focus on volunteerism".

Ivan had circulated a questionnaire to the provincial association presidents and CCA executive members in 1982. The results were summarized and the following is a summary:

MOST IMPORTANT	1. Short term Association planning.
	2. Assessment of needs of those for whom they are responsible.
	2. Coping with Association demands/responsibilities.
	3. Decision making (consensus, leading meetings, decisions, application etc.).
	4. Organizational development - transitions, orientation, progressions etc.
	5. Problem solving.
	6. Fund raising.
	6. Budget formulation and management.
	7. Administrative procedures.
	8. Relationship with governments/Provincial, Federal.
	9. Conducting effective meetings.
LEAST IMPORTANT	10. Policy formulation and implementation.

The CCA board has established October 12-16, 1983 in the Toronto area to be the time and place where this pilot project will first happen. It must be noted that confirmation of this event will be made only if Fitness Canada approves the submission to provide airfares for participants.

As a result of a small group of CCA board members who helped to summarize the results of the questionnaire, the following will be the focus of the 1983 Executive Workshop:

1. Boardmanship Training - facilitation, training, consultation, etc.
2. Board level skills - problem analysis, decision making, how to be accountable etc.
3. Financial responsibilities - fund raising, responsible decision making, accountability etc.
4. Board Task Development - leadership, effective committee work, group consensus, how to lead a meeting, taking of minutes, log recommendations etc.

5. Future Boardmanship Stimulation - beyond survival, National and Provincial issues, futures, environment, economy, energy, staff development.

The Workshop will be for:

a) CCA/ACC Board members and will provide provincial representatives with a model that can be used in their home provinces.
b) And one other provincial representative with potential as a Board member.

Mr. Arnie Cohen, Winnipeg, MB has consented to serve as resource person. Arnie is presently writing a book on volunteerism as a board member of non-profit organizations.

Terry Burkhalter

IMMIGRATION TASK FORCE

The protocol worked out between the Federal Ministry of Employment and Immigration and the writer, together with the Executive Director, during our meeting in Ottawa, has continued to serve well the needs of Canadian camps wishing to employ some foreign camp counsellors. Year by year these procedures are becoming used and accepted by camps across Canada, making the hiring of foreign camp counsellors a smooth operation. We appreciate the continuing support and co-operation we have received from the federal officials. Whenever a problem has arisen, they have been quick to help.

Few problems occurred during 1982, when they did arise they were due to camps not following the protocol step by step.

We have given three undertakings to the Federal Ministry:

1. That camps will endeavour to follow faithfully the steps as set out in the protocol.
2. That every effort will be made to hire a "Canadian" before requesting permission to employ a foreign camp counsellor.
3. That camps will provide basic statistical information to their provincial associations, which will be collated by the Canadian Camping office and forwarded to this Ministry.

This statistical information is confidential and anonymous and imperative if we are to continue to justify our requests.

We urge you to provide the statistical information requested.

The statistics compiled by the Federal Government are in the chart which follows.

Barry Lowes

CONSULTATION/SPEAKERS BUREAU TASK FORCE

The objective of the Consultation Speakers Bureau was to develop a list of National Consultant/Speakers who could be called upon to address various topics related to camping. This list was then to be circulated to provinces and to be used for various Conferences and Workshops.

The Task Force in reviewing Conference Brochures, and workshop Speakers realized that it was very difficult to come up with a definitive list of speakers for any particular topic. Also, with people moving and changing job positions, they were not always available as they were at the time of being listed.

As a result, the difficulty of compiling a list and keeping it updated, and recognizing that provinces who are running workshops and conferences will contact persons that they know, I am recommending that the Consultants/Speakers Bureau Task Force be either incorporated with the Consultants Advisors Project, or that it be dropped as a Task Force of the Canadian Camping Association.

Wayne Perkins

FRENCH LANGUAGE COMMITTEE

The chairman's position was vacant for several months this year. We were, therefore, pleased to confirm Pauline Rondeau as Chairman in March 1983.

During the past year, the Editor of "CANADIAN CAMPING" has produced the editorial in both French and English.

The other major achievement this year was the provision of simultaneous interpretation of all key-note speakers at the Congress, in addition to three French sessions offered to francophone delegates. The bilingual text provided in the promotional literature and program of the Congress also reflected the effort to include both language groups.

Next year we hope to attract articles in French for the inclusion in "CANADIAN CAMPING". Further, we plan to establish translation priorities and procedures so that all CCA/ACC volunteers know what, when and how translation should be done.

Jane McCutcheon

FOREIGN CAMP COUNSELLORS (CCDO 2333-126)

	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	QUE	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA/ NWT	BC/ YUKON	SUB TOTAL	TOTAL
					**8	**25	**3	**6	**3	**22	**67	
1981			5		9	654	13	3	13	56	*753	820
			**2			**30	**7	**9	**2	**8	**58	(1)
1982			4	1	10	550	21	13	15	59	*674	732

*With EC Clearance.

**Without CEC Clearance (admitted to the country under various exemption codes such as Working Holiday Programs, Canadian Crossroads, etc.)

(1)'1 not stated' included in total.

INTERNATIONAL CAMPING CONGRESS/ TASK FORCE

The International Camping Congress is now history - but what an experience it was for over 1,000 delegates. We had speakers and delegates from Canada, U.S.A., Norway, Japan, Great Britain, Jamaica, Mexico, Australia and New Zealand. After four years of hard work, the Steering Committee was gratified to see that its faith in this project was justified.

Special thanks should go to all the 60 volunteers who worked on the organizing committees, all the provincial presidents who helped promote the Congress and recruited speakers and delegates, the hundreds of donors and to the OCA and CCA/ACC staff, to Fitness Canada and the Government of Ontario, all of whom contributed so much to our success.

This Congress was a remarkable achievement. The results of the Congress can already be seen across Canada in the leadership and activity levels of the provincial associations. It proves once again the truth of our Congress theme: TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER.

John Latimer

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Under the Consultant/Advisor project funded by Fitness Canada during 1982-83, the chart below outlines the resource people sponsored and the respective costs. The CCA/ACC appreciates the learning opportunities made possible through this Fitness Canada grant. Each participant returns to his/her camp to train other camp leaders in the new activity skills which will be passed along to hundreds of campers.

Two subsequent C/A requests from B.C. for Jack Pearse and Manitoba for Jay Haddad have been approved by the national executive for internal funding. The wide use of this project to train provincial leaders in various skill areas for camps is evident. It was, therefore, disappointing to learn that Fitness Canada did not approve funding to carry on the Consultant/Advisor program for 1983-84.

ASSOC.	CONS/ADV.	DATE	PARTICIPANTS	TRAVEL	MEALS ACCOM.
BC	Ken Low	Apr. 82	45	324.64	25.00
SCA	Dinny Biggs	May 82	44	507.50	121.75
NBCA	John Jorgenson	May 82	82	223.55	—
NSCA	Jay Haddad	June 82	30	215.45	—
OCA	Ken Low (2)	Jan 83	150	387.50	147.20
OCA	Brad Kilb	Jan 83	93	631.00	100.00
ACA	John Latimer	Mar 83	40	418.00	100.00
NBCA	Bryan Dumouchel	Mar 83	19	241.74	51.44
	9		503	2,949.38	545.39

Dinny Biggs

1982 SOURCE COUNTRY & PROVINCE OF DESTINATIONS

COUNTRY	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	QUE	ONT	MAN	SASK	ALTA/ NWT	BC/ YUKON	NOT STATED	TOTAL
ENGLAND					2	74	3	4		4	1	88
NORTHERN IRELAND						1	1					2
SCOTLAND						4		1				5
WALES						4	1		2			7
AUSTRIA										1		1
BELGIUM								2				2
DENMARK						1						1
FRANCE			1			2		3				6
GERMANY						2		1				3
IRELAND						1						1
THE NETHERLANDS						2		1				3
SWEDEN						1						1
SWITZERLAND						1						1
NIGERIA						1						1
ISRAEL						23	1		2			26
JAPAN										1		1
PHILIPPINES										1		1
AUSTRALIA						4						4
NEW ZEALAND						1						1
U.S.A.			5	1	8	443	21	11	12	59		560
MEXICO						8						8
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO						1						1
DOMINICA						1						1
HAITI							1					1
ARGENTINA										1		1
VENEZUELA						2						2
NOT STATED						3						3
TOTALS			6	1	10	580	28	22	17	67	1	732

1985 NATIONAL CONFERENCE TASK FORCE

The Task Force realized that it would be logical to study the feasibility of any National Conference in 1985 after the results of the International Camping Congress were known. As a result, a questionnaire was circulated to the provinces in March. The provincial responses will be available in May so the Task Force will complete its recommendations soon after.

Jack Pearse

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

"CANADIAN CAMPING" has had a big year! We completed our first volume using the format established in 1981-82. The response to the newsletter was certainly gratifying if not overwhelming.

Two new features became regular additions in the newsletter: the winning photograph and the camp advisor column.

Several articles were submitted from many provinces. My sincere thanks to those members who contributed articles, poems, recipes and photographs last year. As a result, we were able to expand the newsletter to twenty pages. However, we still need coast-to-coast content so all members should try to get involved!

Next year we plan to increase the advertising and subscription revenue so that we can continue to improve CANADIAN CAMPING.

Jay Haddad

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

By January 31, 1983, there was only one nomination received for each elected office on the CCA/ACC Executive. Therefore the following persons have been elected by acclamation:

President	Jocelyn Palm (Ontario)
Eastern Vice President	George Matthews (Nova Scotia)
Central Vice President	Louis Jean (Québec)
Western Vice President	Terry Burkhalter (Manitoba)

These persons will serve for a two year term commencing with the CCA/ACC Annual Meeting on May 6, 1983.

Congratulations to all the new Executive Officers for 1983-1985.

Cliff Labbett

PUBLICITY & PUBLIC RELATIONS

I have been really fortunate this year to meet many Directors and camp staff across the country. Through the auspices of CCA, personal travel, and the International Congress, I have visited Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Alberta and Ontario and attended meetings and conferences there. Getting to know the people and the camps which make up CCA is an essential part of promotion, and I want to thank everyone for being so kind and welcoming.

The major work I have done this year, obviously, revolves around the launching of National Camping Day. First there was the preparation and giving of the Pre-Congress Workshop on Promotions in Toronto, January 25 and 26. This was a really good gathering - allowing interchange, discussion and education. The provincial delegates had an opportunity to broaden their knowledge of camping in Canada, as well as of P.R. I wish to thank the provincial organizations for selecting such good delegates, who came to share and to learn, and to those delegates themselves, who gave of their time to attend the workshop, and to work for CCA.

Since the workshop, hours have been spent on getting the posters designed, printed, and mailed; on mailings; communications; provincial events, etc. Not only my time, but that of each delegate and a lot of effort by Jocelyn Palm and Marjorie Booth has gone in to making National Camping Day happen.

An article has been prepared for the CCA publication, and something will appear in all future issues. The next three National Camping Days are already in the works, so we look for bigger and better things each year.

This report, of necessity, is written before April 14 - look for specific results and a report in the next magazine. At this point, however, I can say that things look good. At the Pre-Congress Workshop, the New Brunswick delegates used the words "baby steps" to talk about their beginnings into P.R. Well, we have taken those baby steps as a national association this year. Some will say they are too small, some say too big. However, you must take them before you can walk, and then run, and I think we have made secure baby steps. 6,500 posters have been distributed across the country to member camps. Delay in the distribution was unfortunate, and I apologize, but one learns from all experiences and the 1984 posters will be out by January 1. A special public thanks goes to Peter Goddard and the staff of Kamp Kanawana in Montreal for accepting the tremendous task of mailing to every camp.

Two Press Releases have been written and distributed to the national media - including 600 weekly newspapers. A CCA fact sheet and copy of the artwork were included with these. Three Press Releases have been written and distributed through the provincial delegates. Nova Scotia and New Brunswick have both had the Day declared by the Ministers involved and Saskatchewan has applied for that too. New Brunswick, in fact, has an entire camping week, as does Quebec. In Ontario, the Society of Camp Directors will meet on April 14 to celebrate, and in Alberta some of the posters are being distributed through the school system and a team of speakers has been lined up. In B.C., they hope to tie the visit of their Consultant/Advisor, Jack Pearse, in to their radio and TV coverage. Manitoba is using local newspapers and radio stations to spread the word, as well as camper notices and church announcements. Saskatchewan hopes to tie in the promotion of NCD with that of their Conference, by using radio and print media announcements.

Both Nova Scotia and New Brunswick have distributed the Press Releases to all camps, and N.S. is getting the support of the Minister's office to do the media work. I think these are good first steps, and all involved are to be congratulated. As a volunteer organization, one can only expect so much from each person and this is a tremendous undertaking. Thanks should go to each delegate for their work and time, on your behalf.

Here's to **March 21, 1984** - the 2nd Annual National Camping Day. We've been through the ropes once; we've learned a great deal and we have a good national team. I am sure it will be an even bigger success than this one.

A special note of appreciation goes to Gary Luthy and Jane McCutcheon, two Vice-Presidents who are stepping down this year. Both have been personal supporters since I took on this role, and have helped create National Camping Day. I'll miss them.

I have been keeping in touch with the Pre-Congress delegates, the Provincial Presidents, and the CCA Executive since January. They are well informed on all aspects of the project, so if you have any specific questions, or wish to lend your talents, please contact someone from your province. I want to thank all of these people for putting up with me, for reading the scads of paper I send, and for their encouragement and support. National Camping Day is the biggest national project CCA has ever undertaken. It's been a great deal of work, but I feel fortunate indeed to have been in on the birth of such a promising event, and for having had the opportunity to have met and worked with so many special people.

Marnie M. Ellis

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

The Publications Committee is pleased to report that **Legacy to a Camper** - the story of Mary S. Edgar by Jocelyn Palm is printed and available to the public. Jocelyn has donated **Legacy** to the CCA and all proceeds from the book go to the association. Many may have already secured a copy at the Congress or through the CCA Publications Service.

An editorial committee is preparing the final draft of the **CIT Manual** scheduled for release by May 1, 1983. This practical guide designed for use in counsellor-in-training programs will feature instructor insert notes.

The Publications Committee has elected to change the name of the Publications Service to the CCA Bookstore, effective September 1983.

We have made an effort to increase revenues at conferences by sending some titles in bulk as well as having catalogues available. At the International Camping Congress we had the use of three exhibit spaces. We tried to increase sales by an author signing event, a special sale table, notices in the Congress newspaper and the new CCA bookmark promoting the "How To" Series.

We realize the potential of the CCA Publications to raise funds to support other CCA Activities, therefore our major objectives for 1983-84 is to actively seek new opportunities to sell CCA's own publications.

Finally, we would like to thank Gary Luthy for his assistance as our liaison with the CCA Executive and Board.

Beth Moon, Wendy Wren, Judy Richards

RESEARCH COMMITTEE

No report submitted.

RETAIL SALES TASK FORCE

This project went into operation with the printing of 500 packages of Hasti Notes. Kate Anthony kindly donated two drawings for these hasti notes. Seventy-six packages have been sold as of March 1983. They will be advertised in the next issue of Canadian Camping and be available at publication displays at various conferences.

Further items will be developed as 1983 progresses.

Janet Adamson

STANDARDS TASK FORCE

The major role of the Standards Task Force this year was to plan and operate the National Standards Workshop in Toronto, January 25-26, 1983.

Our objectives were two-fold:

- update the existing comparative analysis of provincial standards for organized camping
- review and document extensively the visitation process vis à vis the education component for camps (personal and boards), provincial governments (legislation affecting camps) and funding bodies

The delegates worked diligently before the Workshop to have the provincial comparisons ready so that our time together would be most beneficial.

The Workshop has proposed that CCA/ACC should not accredit camps but should promote good camping practices through education of camp directors. This, of course, has important implications for our future action plan and for provincial camping associations. Therefore, we have asked the National Board of Directors to continue the Standards Task Force review for 18 months and convene another National Workshop in 1985 to resolve the need for a Standing Committee on Standards.

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Special thanks is due the Ottawa Board of Education for its enthusiastic initiative with a plan to involve each of its 54 elementary schools in planting 100 trees and each of its 24 secondary schools in planting 200 trees. Every School Board across Canada is challenged to develop similar creative programs. Already several have announced their programs. Interesting suggestions include planting trees along highways and municipal roads; at cloverleafs; along freeways; in valleys, towns and cities.

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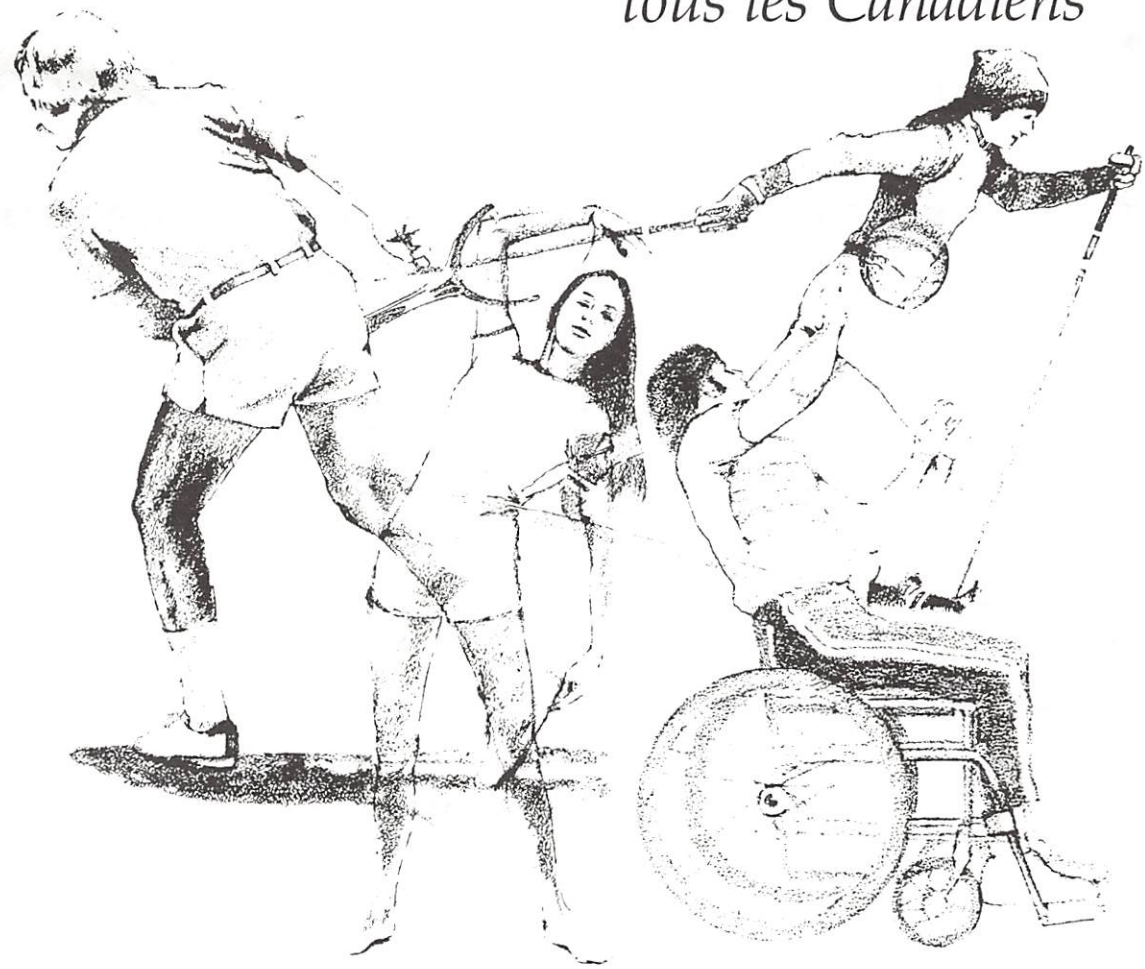

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